



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

Rosie the Riveter Day

WHEREAS, Rosie the Riveter Day is a collective national effort to raise awareness of the millions of women working during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Americans have chosen to honor female workers who contributed on the home front during World War II; and

WHEREAS, these women left their homes to work in factories, farms, shipyards, airplane factories, banks and other institutions in support of the U.S. Armed Forces overseas; and

WHEREAS, these women worked with the USO or Red Cross, drove trucks, riveted airplane parts, collected critical materials, rolled bandages, served on rationing boards; and

WHEREAS, it is right and proper to recognize and preserve the history and legacy of women working during World War II, including volunteer women, to promote cooperation and fellowship among such members and their descendants; and


WHEREAS, these women and their descendants wish to further the advancement of patriotic ideas, excellence in the work place, and loyalty to the United States of America; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island, do hereby proclaim May 28, 2011 as Rosie the Riveter Day and encourage all Rhode Islanders to join me in recognizing these women who contributed to our country through their patriotism.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, this 13th day of May, 2011


Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor


A. Ralph Mollis
Secretary of State